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Nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The functions of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, which are set out in paragraph 3 of document ST/SGB/126 of 1 August 1963 and in its addenda, are:

(a) To lay down general rules governing the action of the Institute in matters entrusted to it;

(b) To review and approve work programmes and the relevant budgets of the Institute;

(c) To submit regularly to the Commission for Social Development a progress report on the work of the Institute.

2. The present composition of the Board is:

(a) A chairman, appointed by the Secretary-General;

(b) Ten members nominated by the Commission for Social Development and confirmed by the Economic and Social Council;

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(c) A representative of the Secretary-General;

(d) A representative of the United Nations Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development;

(e) The Director of the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning, Santiago, Chile;

(f) The Director of the Asian and Pacific Development Institute, Bangkok, Thailand;

(g) The Director of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning, Dakar, Senegal;

(h) The Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia;

(i) Representatives of two of the following specialized agencies, appointed in rotation: the International Labour Organization; the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; and the World Health Organization;

(j) The Director of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, ex officio.

3. The 10 members of the Board referred to in subparagraph 2 (b) above are nominated by the Commission for Social Development and confirmed by the Economic and Social Council. The term of office of each nominated member is four years, renewable once for a further period of two years.

4. Juan Somavía (Chile) has been Chairman of the Board since 1996. The nominated members of the Board are:

Fahima Charaf-Eddine (Lebanon), Director of Research, Arab Development Institute, Beirut;

Georgina Dufoix (France), Formerly Minister for Social Affairs and National Security, Paris;

Björn Hettne (Sweden), Professor of Peace and Conflict Research, University of Göteborg;

Jonathan Moore (United States), Shonenstein Center for Press, Politics and Public Policy, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts;

Harris Mutio Mule (Kenya), Director, Top Investment Management Service, Nairobi;

Kinhide Mushakoji (Japan), Professor, Faculty of International Studies, Meiji Gakuin University, Yokohama;

Guillermo O'Donnell (Argentina), Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento, Sao Paulo; and Visiting Professor of International Studies, Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana;

Rehman Sobhan (Bangladesh), Executive Chairman, Centre for Policy Dialogue, Dhaka;

Frances Stewart (United Kingdom), Director, Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford;

Valery Tishkov (Russian Federation), Director, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow.

5. The term of office of the following five members, who are not eligible for renomination, will expire on 30 June 1997:

Guillermo O'Donnell (Argentina), Rehman Sobhan (Bangladesh), Georgina Dufoix (France), Kinhide Mushakoji (Japan), Fahima Charaf-Eddine (Lebanon).

6. The following five members, who were nominated two years ago, will continue to serve under terms which will expire on 30 June 1999:

Harris Mutio Mule (Kenya), Valery Tishkov (Russian Federation), Björn Hettne (Sweden), Frances Stewart (United Kingdom), Jonathan Moore (United States).

7. Thus, at its thirty-fifth session, the Commission will be called upon to nominate five new members to the Board to replace those referred to in paragraph 5 above for a period of four years to 30 June 2001.

Notes

[1] In its resolution 10 (XXV), the Commission for Social Development decided that the term of office of each nominated member of the Board should not exceed a total of six years.